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In re application of:

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DEVICE

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 2 October 2002, for which a Petition for a two-month extension of time to respond from 2 January 2003 through 2 March 2003 is enclosed, please amend this application as follows. An Appendix of marked-up amended claims 89, 90, 92, 93, 94, 136, 154 and 157 is attached.

In The Claims

Please cancel Claims 91, 104-117, 140 and 149 and amend Claims 89, 90, 92, 93, 94, 136, 154 and 157 as follows. All claims are included for convenient reference.

89. (Amended) A target tissue localization device comprising: a bioabsorbable element in a pre-delivery state prior to its delivery to a soft tissue site of a patient;

the bioabsorable element comprising a chemotherapy agent; and said bipabsorbable element being of a material which is in a post-delivery state at the target tissue site.

90. (Amended) The device according to claim 89 wherein the bioabsorbable element is remotely visualizable within the surrounding soft tissue when in the post-delivery

state.

92. (Twide Amended) A target tissue localization device comprising:

a-therapeutic bioabsorbable element in a pre-delivery state prior to its delivery

to a/soft tissue site of a patient;

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